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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPT "THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES" GRANT
AWARD FOR PRESERVATION ASSESSMENT FOR THE ANTHONY QUINN COLLECTION,
CHICANO RESOURCE CENTER
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Public Library is recommending that the Board of Supervisors accept the "Preservation Assessment for the Anthony Quinn Collection, Chicano Resource Center" grant award from the National Endowment for the Humanities in the total amount of \$6,000.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Accept the "Preservation Assessment for the Anthony Quinn Collection, Chicano Resource Center" grant award in the amount of \$6,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).
- 2. Authorize and delegate authority to the County Librarian or designee to execute any documents and agreements related to the acceptance and use of the grant funds; to expend the grant funds as necessary for the completion of the grant projects; and to meet the conditions of the grant award.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Public Library to implement the preservation assessment for the Anthony Quinn Collection and improve its storage conditions. The Chicano Resource Center (CRC) will oversee a general preservation assessment for the collection's

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preservation needs, training of staff on basic archival techniques, purchase archival supplies, and begin to place the collection in proper housing. The collection has been used in library exhibits, museum exhibitions and as a tool to educate Latino youth about their culture. As a result of the preservation assessment and related activities, the collection will be stored more appropriately and be more accessible to scholars and the general public.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal in the area of Operational Effectiveness (1).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total grant award of \$6,000 is funded by the NEH - Division of Preservation and Access.

The grant funds will be used to purchase the necessary supplies to implement the assessment preservation project. The Public Library's existing Fiscal Year 2012-13 Operating Budget has the appropriation to cover expenditures for this grant. Acceptance of this one-time grant does not commit the County to provide ongoing services.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County policy requires that grants be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for acceptance. A Grant Management statement is not required for this grant because the grant amount is under \$100,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they do not constitute a project according to Section 15378 of CEQA.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This grant award will enable the Public Library to enhance its services and programs.

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Respectfully submitted,

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